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REMARKS

Applicants note with appreciation that the Examiner deems claim 9 to recited patentable subject matter. Applicants amend claim 4 to incorporate all the limitations of claim 9 including limitations of the base claim and all the intervening claims. Applicants also amend claim 6, 10, and 11. No new matter is added. Claims 1-2, 8-9, and 12-13 are canceled. Hence, claims 4-7, and 10-11 are pending, of which claim 4 is independent. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the outstanding rejections and pass the claims to issuance.

In view of the above amendment, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicants believe no fee is due with this statement. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0080, under Order No. SIW-063 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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